

## Question on Notice

No. 1378

Asked on 26 October 2023

**MR B HEAD** ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS AND MINISTER FOR DIGITAL SERVICES (HON M BAILEY)—

### QUESTION:

With reference to the Monto Mount Perry Road progressive sealing project—

Will the Minister advise (a) how much money has been spent on this project, broken down by financial year since 2019–20 to date, (b) how much has been budgeted for this project this financial year, (c) how many kilometres of this road will be sealed by the end of this financial year, (d) the budgeted maintenance spend for the gravel section this financial year prior to sealing and (e) what plans are underway to upgrade the Splinter Creek bridge?

### ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Callide for the question.

The Palaszczuk Government is delivering its eighth record transport and roads infrastructure program in a row, as detailed in the *Queensland Transport and Roads Investment Program 2023–24 to 2026–27*, which outlines \$32.1 billion in investment over the next four years and is estimated to support an average of 25,200 direct jobs over the life of the program. Of this, \$1.231 billion is committed across The Department of Transport and Main Roads' (TMR) Wide Bay Burnett District, estimated to support an average of 1070 direct jobs over the life of the program.

- (a) TMR has been underway with construction and design for progressive sealing of Monto–Mount Perry Road between Eastern Creek and the Burnett River. Construction started in early August 2021 and works between Eastern Creek and Cattle Gully were completed in late 2022. Funding and timing for construction of the final 5.1 kilometres of Monto–Mount Perry Road will be considered against other competing priorities across the State. A breakdown of spend on this project by financial year is 2019–20, \$1296, 2020–21, \$774,669, 2021–22, \$15,093,166, 2022–23, \$9,579,955.
- (b) An amount of \$350,914 has been budgeted for this project in 2023–24.
- (c) I am advised, with the current funding allocation, TMR does not foresee any additional sealing will be completed by the end of 2023–24.
- (d) The budgeted maintenance spend for the gravel section of Monto–Mount Perry Road for 2023–24 is \$52,000.
- (e) The Splinter Creek Bridge replacement is included in the detailed design for the final 5.1 kilometres of Monto–Mount Perry Road, between Cattle Gully and the Burnett River.